

REMARKS

Claims 3-5, 8 and 9 are pending. Claims 1, 2, 6, and 7 have been canceled. Claims 3-5 have been amended. No new matter has been introduced. Reexamination and reconsideration of the present application are respectfully requested.

In the February 7, 2008 Office Action, the Examiner allowed claims 8 and 9. The Examiner objected to claims 3, 4, and 5 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated that these claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant thanks the Examiner for so indicating and has rewritten claims 3-5 in independent form in accordance with the Examiner's comments. Applicant has further amended claims 3-5 to more closely correspond to the specification. However, Applicant believes that claims 3-5 remain in condition for allowance.

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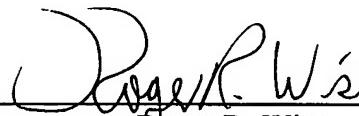
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In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicant believes that the application is in condition for allowance, and a favorable action is respectfully requested. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles telephone number (213) 488-7100 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance should the examiner believe that such a telephone conference would advance prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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